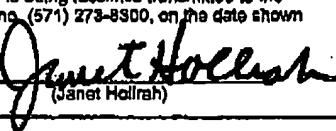


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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 1, 2006 (Paper No. 042006), for which a response was due on August 1, 2006. A petition for a three-month extension of time is submitted herewith, therefore this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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